

**REQUEST  
FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
TRANSMITTAL**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 152, effective on May 29, 2000,  
Provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application  
filed on or after June 8, 1995.  
See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	10/800,742
Filing Date	March 16, 2004
First Named Inventor	Aaron Q. Johnson
Group Art Unit / Conf. No.	2445 / 1162
Examiner Name	Goodchild, William J.
Attorney Docket Number	27683-011

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.  
**NOTE:** 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. **Submission required under 377 C.F.R. § 1.114**

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_.
- iii. ☐ A verified statement claiming small entity status is on file in the prior application and such status is still proper and desired (37 C.F.R. § 1.28(a)).
- iv. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Any unentered IDS(s) referred to above will be considered).
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment and Response to Final Office Action accompanying Request for Continued Examination (RCE).
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).
- iii. ☐ Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (IDS); Modified Form 1449/PTO; IDS References.
- iv. ☒ Other: Petition for Extension of Time.

**Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other:
3. **Fees** The RCE fee under C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.
- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the RCE fee of **\$405.00** and any additional, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 27683-011, Customer No.: 35437.
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) in the amount of **\$405.00** to be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 27683-011, Customer No. 35437.
- ii. ☒ Extension of Time fee in the amount of **\$1,175.00** to be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Ref. No. 27683-011, Customer No. 35437.
- b. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference. No. 27683-011, Customer No. 35437.

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED**

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Signature	/Brad M. Scheller/	Date	October 12, 2010

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